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**From:** Miller, Johanna  
**Sent:** Tue 3/18/2014 8:19:33 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Upper Animas & NPL Listing Strategy  
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Paula - Here is the version I put together (worked on prior to receiving your information). While I agree no one is going to be sending this to the commissioners or reading it directly it helps to get down complete thoughts so we can make sure that internally we are on the same page and use similar language to convey our opinions. With this audience I think it's really important to stay away from language like PRPs (I prefer parties who have responsibility for clean up or something like that) or to talk too much about the "process" but more about the tangible steps being taken (assessment, developing options for clean up etc). I added a couple of questions that Steve thought would no doubt come up and that we need to be prepared to openly and honestly address - 1. will clean up of the mine sources make a difference and 2. are there options outside of NPL listing. I didn't develop very complete specific answers yet but put together some thoughts. This last question is really something we need to wrangle with internally and that Martin ultimately will need to decide where he wants to go.

So this is a work in progress for sure. I will take a closer look at what you sent over but in general I think we covered similar ground. I highlighted in yellow the answers that are incomplete as well as not tackling the enforcement related ones. I also need to get Sabrina and Victor's input into the questions about what seeking superfund designation. Johanna

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**From:** Schmittdiel, Paula  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 18, 2014 1:04 PM  
**To:** Schmittdiel, Paula; Miller, Johanna  
**Cc:** Ketellapper, Victor  
**Subject:** RE: Upper Animas & NPL Listing Strategy

Oops - forgot the draft responses. << File: Responses to San Juan County Commissioners Questions March2014.docx >>

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**From:** Schmittdiel, Paula

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 18, 2014 12:55 PM  
**To:** Miller, Johanna  
**Cc:** Ketellapper, Victor  
**Subject:** RE: Upper Animas & NPL Listing Strategy

Here is my draft of responses - I just put concepts into bullets b/c I am not planning on this being handed out to the commissioners. The format can be considered later. I just spoke with Richard Sisk who is back from vacation and he will draft something for the 2 Qs on liability & enforcement.

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**From:** Miller, Johanna  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 18, 2014 9:23 AM  
**To:** Schmittiel, Paula  
**Cc:** Ketellapper, Victor  
**Subject:** RE: Upper Animas & NPL Listing Strategy

Paula - Victor and I will work on something today. Can you send us what you have started so we can add on and make sure we are consistent. Johanna

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**From:** Schmittiel, Paula  
**Sent:** Monday, March 17, 2014 3:38 PM  
**To:** Miller, Johanna  
**Cc:** Ketellapper, Victor  
**Subject:** RE: Upper Animas & NPL Listing Strategy

Do either of you have any draft responses for the Qs? If so, can you send them to me. I've taken a stab at this but I could use some help with a couple which I will probably have to wait for Richard Sisk to return from vacation.

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**From:** Miller, Johanna  
**Sent:** Friday, March 14, 2014 11:05 AM  
**To:** Schmitttdiel, Paula  
**Cc:** Ketellapper, Victor  
**Subject:** RE: Upper Animas & NPL Listing Strategy

Sabrina's been really sick and out all week - expect her back Monday. Victor and I can help in the meantime. Johanna

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**From:** Schmitttdiel, Paula  
**Sent:** Friday, March 14, 2014 11:02 AM  
**To:** Miller, Johanna  
**Subject:** RE: Upper Animas & NPL Listing Strategy

Johanna - I don't really know. WE had asked Sabrina to come to a meeting on Wednesday AM but she wasn't able to make it and some of the questions relate to listing. I have a call/email into her on something else for UA but haven't heard back from her. It would be useful to develop such responses for our next meeting so I will try and draft something but I will need some assistance from site assessment on the listing Qs.

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**From:** Miller, Johanna  
**Sent:** Friday, March 14, 2014 10:57 AM  
**To:** Schmitttdiel, Paula  
**Subject:** RE: Upper Animas & NPL Listing Strategy

Paula - Will the team have a draft of responses to the commissioner's questions prior to this meeting? Johanna

-----Original Appointment-----

**From:** Schmitttdiel, Paula  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 05, 2014 2:27 PM  
**To:** Schmitttdiel, Paula; Wharton, Steve; Wall, Dan; Linn, Peggy; Williams, Laura; Way, Steven; Miller, Johanna; Ketellapper, Victor; Forrest, Sabrina; Rudy, Michael; Land, Kelcey; Urdiales, Aaron; Madigan, Andrea; Sisk, Richard  
**Cc:** Faulk, Libby

**Subject:** Upper Animas & NPL Listing Strategy

**When:** Wednesday, March 19, 2014 8:00 AM-9:30 AM (UTC-07:00) Mountain Time (US & Canada).

**Where:** Timberline room, 2nd Floor Conf. Center

**Importance:** High

I just switched the time on March 19<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 AM to 9:30 AM because there isn't a conference room to be had any later in the AM without running past 11:30 am when the enforcement group is heading out to lunch.

This is a follow-up meeting to our discussion this AM on where we are going with the Upper Animas site. I will let Martin H know that we are still formulating the "grand plan". I know that Victor has a conflict at least for part of this time but I am hoping we can meet at this time/day because Richard will be back.

Please let me know if this time works for you - at least partially.

Thank you and thanks for meeting during the lunch hour today.

Paula Schmittiel